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UJA MISSION GROUP MEETS – The above photo depicts members of Toronto's 1967 UJA Study Mission at its last general itinerary meeting.

The group is in Europe now. Upon return, a full report to the community will be rendered.

Dr. Rosenberg In East Europe

HEADS TORONTO UJA MISSION

Last Saturday evening, Feb. 4th, Dr. Stuart E. Rosenberg, Rabbi of Beth Tzedec Congregation of Toronto, chairman of the United Jewish Appeal of Toronto, left on a fact finding mission to countries in Central and Eastern Europe. He will be visiting Czechoslavakia, Hungary and Rumania, leading the Toronto 1967 UJA fact finding mission.

In Rumania the delegation will be the guest of the Chief Rabbi Moses Rosen, who when recently visiting Toronto, extended to Rabbi Rosenberg an official invitation to be his guest in Bucharest. On Sat., Feb. 18th, Rabbi Rosenberg will be addressing the Jewish Congregation in Bucharest as the guest of Chief Rabbi Moses Rosen.

In addition to his visits to Czechoslavakia, Hungary and Rumania, Rabbi Rosenberg and the members of the Toronto mission will be meeting in Israel with Prime Minister Levi Eshkol and President Shazar and other members of the Government, to discuss problems of Jewish life and to counsel together. Travelling with Rabbi Rosenberg are thirteen men, leaders of the Toronto United Jewish Appeal, who are the members of the Study Mission.

• Commentary •

By M.J. Nurenberger

Encore: Quebec

The Jewish community will not forget the uproar at the most recent conference of the Canadian Jewish Congress (Eastern region) in Montreal. Nor will this be dismissed as an incident. It was indeed a manifestation of a malaise which must be cured if we mean what we say when we discuss the problem of uniting Jews for our spiritual survival.

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One of the strangest features apparent at this January 29th conference — when the chairman refused to open a debate on Jewish schools — was the eagerness with which the opponents of Jewish day schools defended the right of the Soviet Jews to Jewish education.

The same people who deny the validity of government-supported day schools in Canada, who do not send their children to Jewish schools here, are extremely agitated when they speak publicly about the failure of the Soviet Union to open Jewish schools in Russia. Yelling loudly about Moscow's disregard for Jewish education in the Soviet Union is very easy, nor does it commit one to any concrete action.

These gentlemen conveniently forget that a Jewish school in Russia can be but a government school run by the government.

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At the same time, the member of the Quebec Superior Council of Education, Prof. Perry Meyer, who pretends to speak for the Jewish community, dared say to the delegates at the Canadian Jewish Congress assembly that it is inadvisable for Jews to help perpetuate Quebec's confessional school system by maintaining separate Jewish schools.

Why a man of the caliber of Dr. Meyer, who does not believe in integral Jewish education, should represent Jews on a council of education is beyond anyone's imagination.

According to some observers at this meeting, Dr. Meyer contributed to the confusion when he rudely interrupted a parent who rose in opposition to the Meyer theory on education.

According to Prof. Meyer, it seems that the Catholics in Quebec soon will reduce to a minimum religious instruction in their schools as had the Protestants. He maintains that Jews should hope and labor for a complete non-religious and non-confessional school system.

Even were the Jews in Quebec or anywhere else in Canada ready to unite in a battle against religious education in schools — which they are not —, what would happen to the generation waiting for the happy day when they lived to see godless schools without any religious education, in the image of educational institutions in some socialist countries?

Ought we to sacrifice a Jewish generation on the altar of Prof. Meyer's fata morgana of a society in Quebec where schools would be entirely non-confessional, where our children would assimilate completely?

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It is redundant to repeat the reason the majority at this meeting rose against the officials, why so few were impressed by the passionate speeches against Russia's non-recognition of Jewish culture, why so few supported the official Congress policy.

This confusion (as Montreal's La Presse calls it), begun at the meeting held at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel on June 29th, will not be forgotten, for it is the beginning of the revolt of those Jews who know that the majority — Catholic and Protestant — does not wish them to assimilate nor relinquish their right to tax-supported Jewish schools.

Jewish survival here and elsewhere depends upon Jewish day schools. This is the task of our generation in this free society where we enjoy the right, the privilege and the opportunity to be Jews while remaining, at the same time, politically integrated citizens.

Israelis Accuse

GERMAN SHIP IGNORED S.S.

Haifa (JCNS) Red flares were seen by a German ship near the position in the Tyrrhenian Sea from which distress signals were sent out by the Israeli ship, Hashlosha, which sank in a storm last week.

This was reported here by the captain of the Israeli ship, Moledet, which carried out an unsuccessful search for the Hashlosha, after altering course on receipt of the Hashlosha's distress signals.

The Israeli master, Captain Moshe Abramski, said that the German ship, a cargo vessel, had been about six miles from where the flares were fired. When he spoke to the German captain by radiotelephone, he was informed that the German ship had scanned the area with her radar and seen nothing on its screen, and had, therefore, continued on her normal course.

A commission of inquiry into the loss of the Hashlosha set up by the Israeli Ministry of Transport has asked the Foreign Minister to look further into the matter of the German cargo ship and the flares.

It must be assumed that the ship sank before the crew had time to launch the lifeboats, the manager of her owners, the Ophir Co-operative, said at the weekend, upon returning from Naples where he directed the search.

The dependants of the dead seamen, among them nine children, are to be paid national insurance pensions, augmented by pensions from the Histadrut insurance organisation. The ship was fully insured in Germany for about 185,000 pounds.

ISRAELI FOREIGN MINISTER ABBA EBAN

NO SOVIET INTEREST IN LIMITING ARMS

Washington (INA) - A high-ranking State Department official, speaking on behalf of Secretary of State Dean Rusk, has reported that the Soviet Union has shown no interest in U.S. approaches seeking limitations of arms shipments to the Middle East.

Eban Warns Syria

TRUCE- OR ELSE

Tel Aviv - Foreign Minister Abba Eban, referring to the current meeting of the Israel-Syrian Mixed Armistice Commission, said that should it emerge in due course that the "other side have nothing to say, we might suggest to the U.N. Secretary-General that when the Syrians have something to say we will come and listen."

Mr. Eban said that as long as quiet continued on the border there was no need to force the issue at the M.A.C. meeting. "But we hope that in the course of the week the Syrians will have managed to read the agreed agenda and address themselves to it accordingly."

Should the talks fail, and acts of hostility resume, Israel would consider the new situation on its merits, he declared.

Mr. Eban, replying to another question, said that Israel had not granted Syria "immunity" because of the latter's relations with the Soviet Union, and could react vigorously against acts of hostility and sabotage on the Israel-Syrian border.

Sensation In New York

JEWISH COMMUNISTS RETREAT INTO SHELL

by Richard Yaffe
JCNS Correspondent

New York (JCNS) - When the American Communist Party announced at the end of last summer that there would be a national conference on the "Jewish question" in November, the reaction was, in the main, pleased surprise.

Then, when it was announced that the conference had been postponed until some time in January, there was scepticism. Now, with every monthly issue of "Political Affairs", the theoretical organ of the party, it is becoming certain that it will not be held at all.

For all its faults and considerable naivete, especially in its "analysis" of U.S.A. Jewry, the "draft resolution" for the conference, which was fashioned by the party's National Jewish Commission did, after all, appeal to the Soviet Union for "full restoration of the administratively suppressed Jewish cultural institutions".

At first, voices were heard including that of Mr. Paul Novick, the editor of the "Freiheit", the Left-wing Yiddish daily, backing the draft resolution strongly. Now these are muted, and the opponents are mainly heard.

In a recent American Communist Party discussion bulletin, for example, Mr. Daniel Rubin, who describes himself as a "member of the leading bodies" of the party, writes that Communists "should ask themselves whether - if it is true that Jewish culture in the U.S.S.R. will be dead in ten years - this in itself is bad."

The draft rejected charges of antisemitism against the Soviet Union as a "slander and a fraud", but it did go on to say that there were some "shortcomings" in Russia, among them anti-religious propaganda and a shortage of Jewish prayer books, and called on the Soviet Union to restore "such institutions as a Yiddish State theatre, Yiddish newspapers, education and other means of Jewish culture" suppressed during the Stalin period.

In the current issue of "Political Affairs", Mr. Hyman Lumer, who describes himself as having taken on the national responsibilities for the party in "education and ideological work", declares that this section of the resolution needs to be redrafted "in the direction of unequivocally rejecting any idea of 'Soviet antisemitism' in whatever guise it may appear, and any campaign of public criticism, however 'friendly'."

The announcement of the postponement of the national conference coincided with the visit of Mr. Gus Hall, the party's general secretary, to the Soviet Union, and I wrote at the time that it appeared that the meeting was not merely delayed but cancelled.

So-called "talk-back" programs have become popular on American radio and television in recent years. They feature an interviewer who invites to his show guests who hold a particularly strong, frequently extreme, view on some current issue. Spokesmen from an interested organisation are sometimes invited to join the "panel", and a strong discussion occasionally develops.

No one had the courage to do anything about these programs for fear of being called an enemy of free speech, until the American Jewish Committee took the shows to task in its December "Newsletter".

What finally sent the A.J.C. to its typewriters was a program put on by Mr. David Susskind on Negro antisemitism. The only people on the program turned out to be Negro antisemites.

In another "talk-back" show, a Jew, who has since embraced Christianity, finances extremist Arab propaganda blasts against Israel and writes antisemitic articles in one of America's worst hate sheets, stated blandly that the Jews had plotted America's entrance into the First World War in return for the Balfour Declaration - a well-known antisemitic slander.

But Jews are not the only people who are smeared on these shows. All sorts of bigots are given an opportunity to talk, just as long as what they say is preposterous enough to provoke argument.

The first reaction to the A.J.C. editorial, came from the radio and T.V. critic of

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SAY HERUT SPLIT FINAL

Tel Aviv (Jerusalem Post Service) - The short-lived truce in Herut between the Executive and the party opposition broke down completely over the week-end.

At a meeting of their supporters in Netanya Friday evening, opposition leaders Shmuel Tamir, Eliezer Shostak and Avraham Tayar called on local party members to boycott the branch elections called by the Executive. They termed the Executive's dispersal of the incumbent local council branch as "undemocratic" and illegal.

Amid rising tension, the 500-strong audience heard Mr. Tamir attribute the deterioration of the movement to the 19-year-old rule of the present leadership. "This is an attempt of half of the movement to expel the other half," he declared.

Mr. Tamir later told that he would not appear before the party's court of honour unless its "make-up is altered".

Mr. Meir Haus, Herut City Councillor, told reporters after the meeting: "We have been running the local branch and will go on running it after these illegal elections."

A spokesman for the Executive declared in Tel Aviv that the split "would not remain long confined to Netanya, but would gradually spread through the country."

He predicted the emergence of two separate parties.

SEES MAJORITY VICTORY

Of the 1,500 Herut members with the right to vote in Netanya, he expected that at "least 70 percent of them would vote for the candidates supporting the Executive - i.e., Begin." This is why the opposition was boycotting them, he asserted.

Next Week In The Canadian Jewish News

- PAUL MORTON – A Gentile views Jewish Community
- TORONTO'S RABBI FELDER – Explains Sabbath laws in new volume
- UJA THIS YEAR

Winter Hits Israel

SNOW IN THE MIDDLE EAST – For the first time in years Jerusalem underwent a heavy snowstorm. Above is a scene of the unusual winter weather on the city's "Fifth Avenue" at the entrance of the famous King David Hotel.

toronto after dark

TORONTO ONE OF THREE

Illya Darling, now at O'Keefe Center till Saturday, February 18th, makes Toronto one of three stops before arriving in New York: Philadelphia where the world premiere takes place, this city and Detroit which follows the local engagement.

This is star Melina Mercouri's first time in North America.

FULL OF GAGS

The Owl and the Pussycat, starring Pat Suzuki and Robert Reed, now at the Royal Alexandra Theater, provides comedy galore. It was written by TV gag-writer and press agent Bill Manhoff who supplies the laughs for Milton Berle, Danny Thomas, Jan Murray, Bob Cummings. The hit ran for over a year on Broadway.

MOVIE NIGHT

This Sunday, 8:30 p.m. at Burton Auditorium, York University, a film will be presented: Rita Tushingham in, The Girl With Green Eyes. Also shown will be The Drifters, John Grierson's famous National Film Board documentary classic of the 'thirties.

At 2:00 p.m., Canadian underground films will be shown.

ALL-STAR CAST

An all-star cast is featured in The Right Honourable Gentleman, now being performed at Central Library Theater, presented by Aries Productions. They are: Claude Bede; Christine Bennett; Patrick Boxill; Vernon Chapman; Paul Craig; Norma Clark; John Gardiner; Bruce Gray; Sheila Haney; Nancy Kerr; Paisley Maxwell; Morna Wales; Jess Walton.

The premier performance in New York City in 1965 brought more than favorable comments from various sources.

Sean Mulcahy, one of Canada's top directors, directs the play, his second for Aries; the first was The Aspern Papers which ran last season.

BEEBEE FENSTERMAKER

Next Thursday through March 11th, Belmont Theater Productions will open the Canadian Premiere of The Days and Nights of Beebee Fenstermaker at the Hydro.

Sylvia Lennick will play the part of Beebee. Others in the cast are Pat Moffat, Dora Dainton, Audrie Vale, Merle-Anne Marshall, Dan McDonald. Jack Merigold directs.

QUARTET GOING STRONG

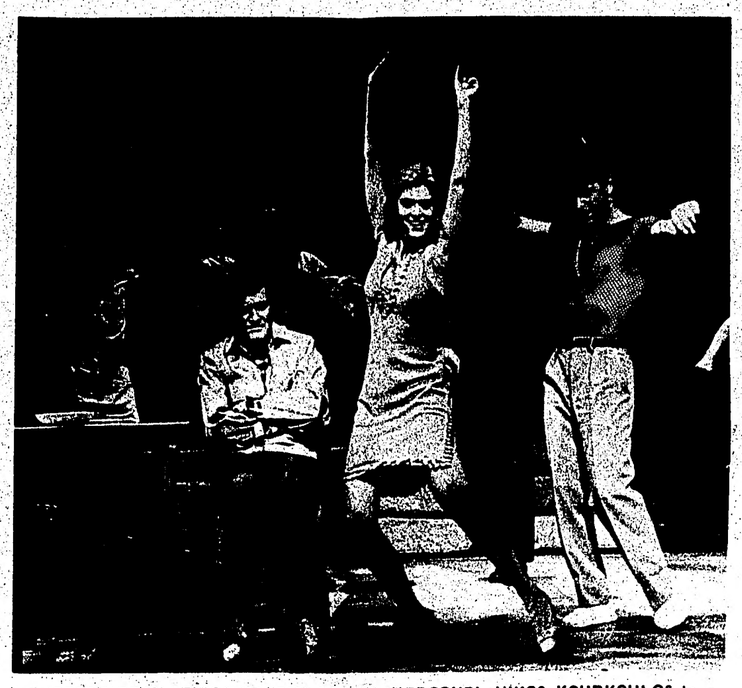
The ever popular Moe Koffman Quartet is performing to capacity diners at George's Spaghetti House. Tomorrow night is the last session for the present.

Doug Brown, guitarist-vocalist whose forte are folk ballads, blues and pop music, is beckoning the crowd upstairs at the Castle, also till tomorrow.

FAMOUS CANTOR, FAMOUS HELP

The career of Bela Herskovits, famous cantor and tenor, (now at Beth Sholom) was launched by the late Eddie Cantor whose perceptiveness brought many an artist before the public. Cantor's love of show business, combined with his love of people, prompted him to spot talent and give it exposure. Thus, thanks to the beloved late showman, Bela Herskovits was introduced to the North American public for whom he has been bringing joy ever since with his sweet, warm voice.

On Sunday afternoon, February 19th, he will perform in concert at the Inn on the Park, sponsored by Toronto's Jewish Association of Hungarian Descent in celebration of the organization's tenth anniversary in Canada. Vladimir Heifetz, well known pianist, will accompany; Ahuva Shai, popular vocalist, will sing.



ORSON BEAN, TITOS VANDIS, MELINA MERCOURI, NIKOS KOURKOULOS in a scene from "Illya Darling", the new Broadway musical comedy starring Melina Mercouri, with book and direction by Jules Dassin, based on his original screenplay for "Never on Sunday". Produced by Kermit Bloomgarden, "Illya Darling" co-stars Orson Bean and features Titos Vandis, Nikos Kourkoulos, Despo, Rudy Bond, and Hal Linden. The music is by Manos Hadjidakis, who wrote "Never on Sunday", and the lyrics are by Joe Darion, who wrote "Man of La Mancha". Choreography is by Onna White, sets by Oliver Smith, lighting by Jean Rosenthal, and costumes by Theoni V. Aldredge.

"Illya Darling" is being performed at Toronto's O'Keefe Centre for an engagement of 3 weeks prior to its Broadway premiere.

Students Dispute About Jewish Culture In USSR

Amsterdam (JCNS) A controversy has arisen between the two largest Dutch students' organisations, the Nederlandse Studenten Raad (Dutch Students' Council) and the Left-wing Studenten Vak Beweging (Students' Trade Union), over the position of the Jews in the Soviet Union.

The N.S.R., which is the overall representative organisation of all students at Dutch universities, and a member of the International Student Conference, had tried for some time to come to an agreement for student exchanges with the Soviet students' organisation.

The Russians, however, had demanded that the N.S.R. should first revoke its adherence to the I.S.C. resolution condemning antisemitism in the Soviet Union. The N.S.R. refused.

Recently, an S.V.B. delegation visited Russia, and the organisation has now concluded a student exchange agreement with the Russian students' organisation, without mentioning the issue of antisemitism. Some of the leaders of the S.V.B. which is particularly strong in Amsterdam, are of Jewish origin.

Jerusalem (JCNS) - Archbishop Anton, of Minsk, in the Soviet Union, is touring the Christian holy sites in Israel. Accompanied by ten Russian-Orthodox priests, he crossed the Mandelbaum Gate from the Old city of Jerusalem in Jordan.

Cologne Cardinal Denies Accusation

Duesseldorf, West Germany - A West German Jewish newspaper has accused the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Cologne, Cardinal Joseph Frings, of making remarks containing anti-Semitic tendencies.

haengige Juedische Wochenzeitung" said Cardinal Frings recently maintained that the psychological causes of Nazism were too much Jewish influence and showing off their wealth.

The article refered to a recent conversation between the Cardinal and the American World Jewish Congress leader, Dr. Max Nussbaum, in Cologne.

The Cardinal said on Friday that his remarks were published out of context and that important points had been omitted. Cardinal Frings, who will be 80 tomorrow, said he had not tried to describe the cause of Nazi anti-Semitism but the source of anti-Jewish feeling in Germany in the 1920's. He recalled that he had always detested Hitler's treatment of the Jews and had protested about it in both sermons and complaints to the authorities.

Dr. Nussbaum reported Cardinal Frings as saying he saw no great danger from West Germany's extreme right-wing National Democratic Party. "The Jews in Germany before Hitler came to power had much too great an economic, political and cultural influence in this country," he quoted the Cardinal as saying: "The Jews of the time had acquired great wealth and displayed this ostentatiously. These were the reasons which made National Socialism possible psychologically. Today there is only a small Jewish community, therefore there is no danger of National Socialism."

SCANDAL DE LUXE – Claude Bede and Jess Walton in the Canadian premiere of The Right Honourable Gentleman, an Aries Productions presentation of an English political sex scandal now playing at Toronto's Central Library Theater.

OFFICIAL KILLED

Jerusalem (JCNS) - Commander Eric Sparne, of the Swedish Navy, chairman of the U.N. Mixed Armistice Commission, was killed last night in a car accident on the road from Damascus to the Israeli border.

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by D. Cohn

● A new adult evening school Volkshochschule, in Ulm, where Albert Einstein was born in 1879, will be named in his memory. Dr. Werner Heisenberg, Nobel Prize winner who attended the foundation-stone laying ceremony, praised Einstein's life and work. He said that by its decision to name the new school in his memory, the Ulm municipality was paying tribute not only to the town's greatest son but also to the Jewish scientists' outstanding achieyements.

● The second novel by Andre Schwarz-Bart, who won the Goncourt Prize in 1959 for, The Last of the Just, deals with the Negro problem. It is entitled, A Meal of Pork with Green Bananas.

Schwarz-Bart is married to a Negress from the French Antilles.

● Anton Preisinger a local hotel owner and the newly appointed, director for the passion play performances to be held in 1970, said in Oberammergau that he would make no changes of note in the play's text.

● Sculptures and paintings by Auguste Rodin have arrived from France for exhibition in Tel Aviv's museum.

● Location filming of Wait Until Dark, Warner Bros. motion picture drama, has been completed in New York. The movie stars Audrey Hepburn, with Alan Arkin, Richard Crenna, Efrem Zimbalist Jr., Jack Weston, Samantha Jones, Julie Herrod.

● Two MGM productions, Doctor Zhivago, and A Patch of Blue, have been named among the ten best foreign films of the year by the Tokyo Press Critics Association.

● Samuel Schreig of Chicago's Sentinel says there is a guy in Hollywood claiming to own an 88-piece set of fancy silverware which supposedly belonged to Hitler; he's trying to peddle it for 20 G's. Also: the country's first topless folksinger ready to be launched is a Rothschild - Constance Rothschild; Frank Sinatra can write his name in Yiddish the book, Madame Sarah, by Cornelia Otis Skinner based on the life of Sarah Bernhardt, says that Sarah was the illegitimate child of a Jewish Dutch milliner.

● Frank Sinatra's prospective son-in-law, engaged to his youngest, Tina, is a Jewish lad, Samuel Hess. He gave Tina a four-and-a-half carat diamond, but first he asked Papa Sinatra for her hand, which was granted with blessings.

Tina received from her father a mink coat, her first.

She's eighteen; Sammy's twenty-eight and in the real estate business.

● Cilla Black, top British pop singer, will make her motion picture debut opposite David Warner in, Work Is a Four Letter Word.

* Bill, son of the late Harpo Marx, married Sara . Sack.

● Samantha Maria is the name of the new David Susskind infant. (She, former Torontonian Joyce Davidson).

● The beard Chaim Topol sports in his leading role in Fiddler on the Roof, playing in England, is the second time around for the thirty-year-old Israeli star. He says, "The first time was for my part in Sallah. If Fiddler proves as successful, I'll wear a beard all my life."

Though Topol is well entrenched on the Israeli stage and screen, he had no histrionic ambitions as a child. He never acted in school except for one memorable occasion when he dramatized a Sholem Aleichem story for his friends.

It wasn't till he joined the army that he found his true vocation. "I wasn't a very good soldier but people thought I was funny, so I decided to join the Army Theater." After six months he became commander of the Nahal Group and commanded the Army Theater where he stayed till he was demobilized.

When he returned to Kibbutz Mishmar David, which he joined at the age of 17, he formed his own satirical theater, Green Onion. It closed in 1960 after running for two years in Tel Aviv. Then Topol decided to enter the legitimate theater. He says he's the first freelance actor in Israel.

Topol is the grandson of a shochet, (ritual slaughterer) though himself a vegetarian. He was brought up in a traditional Jewish manner. "I was educated in a religious school, as very few Israelis are. I am not Orthodox but we light candles on Friday night and I make kiddush. We do it because of the children."

Topol is a sabra born in Tel Aviv. For the first 27 years of his life he refused to set foot outside Israel. "To this day I can't understand why. They wanted to send me to England as a shaliakh (emissary) to Dror but I didn't want to leave home. Eventually a theater festival came up in Venice and I had to do it. Then I discovered that I liked traveling."

If Fidler . . . is a success in London, Topol hopes to spend a year in the show.

● Ernest Deutsch, 76, of Vienna Burg Theater fame, for fifty years one of the masters of the German language stage, is embarking on a world tour with a team from the Burg Theater. He will perform in Warsaw, Prague, Moscow, San Francisco, Los Angeles, New York, Canada, Japan, Israel.

The chief works in the repertoire are Arthur Schnitzler's Professor Bernhardi and Gotthold Lessing's Nathan the Wise.

Despite his age, Deutsch who is of Hungarian Jewish descent, still rates among the top actors in German speaking theater. His deep brown eyes, which have been synonymous practically with his fame, are just as powerful as before, according to critics.

During the last half-century, Deutsch has been one of the living stage's biggest draws; his name has appeared on billboards in nearly all major theatrical capitals.

He just has wound up a highly successful visit to German theaters where he appeared in numerous guest performances.

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FAMOUS EUOPEAN ACTOR TO APPEAR HERE.- Ernest Deutsch, of Hungarian Jewish descent, for fifty years master of the German language stage, who will appear in Canada during a world tour with a team from the Famous Vienna Burg Theater.

General Koenig

JEWS MUST GIVE MORE TO STRENGTHEN ISRAEL

Paris (JCNS) French Jews should be ashamed of the paltry sums they contribute to Israeli funds, declared General Marie-Pierre Koenig, war-time hero of the fighting in the North African desert, at the opening session of the annual conference of the French Keren Hayesod here last week. He is not a Jew.

Although funds collected for Zionist purposes last year increased by 15 percent over 1965, they totalled only $700,000. Of the estimated 130,000 Jewish families in France, 11,000 were contributors last year. A further 29,000 are on the Keren Hayesod address lists.

The collective leadership of the organisation was confirmed in office for another year. It has been running Keren Hayesod in France since the end of 1965, when the then president, Louis Domb, resigned because of what he called "the indifference of the professional Zionists".

The organisation's new director, M. Kovick, told the JCNS correspondent that the Keren Hayesod had not yet broken into the "French Jewish sphere". The response to fund-raising appeals had been good among immigrants from North Africa, he added.

GENOCIDE BILL

Rome (JCNS) The Italian Chamber of Deputies adopted last week a Bill "for the prevention and repression of genocide" by 443 votes in favor and ten against. Presented by Signor Oronzo Reale, the Minister of Justice, the Bill now goes to the Senate for approval.

The Chamber recently passed a Bill providing for the extradition of persons accused of genocide.

SOUTH AFRICANS LEAVING FOR AUSTRALIA

Johannesburg (JCNS) Three thousand South African Jews have emigrated in recent years to Australia, according to Dr. Colin Tatz, one of their number, who returned to visit his parents.

Dr. Tatz, a senior lecturer in sociology at Monash University, near Melbourne said the emigrants were doing well, but at least 1,000 had gone back because they expected too much. No other country could offer the material comforts of South Africa.

He added that in Sydney, for one reason or another, the Jews were concentrated in one or two suburbs. They were readily accepted by the Australians, but they chose to form a group.

The emigrants to Australia have been rebuked by the South African Zionist movement. The question has been asked why the movement failed to interest many of these talented young families in settling in Israel.

GOLDMANN VISIT TO EAST EUROPE SAID PREMATURE

Geneva (JCNS) - Reports that Dr. Nahum Goldmann the president of the World Jewish Congress, was visiting Eastern Europe, which first appeared in the Israeli press, are premature.

Dr. Goldmann, who is at present in the south of France, has been invited by the Jewish community of Czechoslovakia and other communities in Eastern Europe, to visit them, and plans to do so in the early spring, probably in March.

Jerusalem Ready to fight

Haifa (JCNS) The Arab States, headed by Egypt, are now greatly strengthening their naval power. Various countries are supplying the Arabs with most advanced naval equipment of high quality and in "large and threatening quantities".

Stating this at a passing-out parade of naval officers here, General Itzhak Rabin, the Chief of Staff, said that while Israel could never hope to match the enemy numerically, "we nevertheless depend on the Navy to overcome the enemy, if and when battle is joined".

The Navy C.-in-C., Commodore Shlomo Erel, noted that the number of officers passing out at the ceremony was the largest in the Navy's history.

NEW TREND, HAWAII - Fernando Raposo, (left) Toronto Canadian Pacific Airlines' sales representative, welcomes Emile Aufgang, of Aufgang Travel, Toronto. Mr. Aufgang was one of a number of travel agents participating in CPA's inaugural Toronto-Honolulu flight. Looking on are: Jorge Lopes, Chagas Travel, and Armando Moniz, Imperio Travel.

Emigration Questioned

Jerusalem (JCNS) - Not more than 400 people who are not Jews, including 250 Greek Catholics, emigrated from Israel in 1966. Shmuel Toledano, the Prime Minister's adviser on Arab affairs, said in Jerusalem last week.

He was commenting on a report in "Ramzor", a Mapai youth publication, in which Archbishop George Hakim, was quoted as saying that 1,000 of its members emigrated in 1966.

Mr. Toledano said that 296 Israelis who were not Jews left the country last year, saying they were emigrating. it was assumed that another 100 who left had also emigrated, because they had not returned.

OPTIMISTIC ABOUT E.E.C. ADMITTANCE

Brussels (JCNS) Israeli circles are midly optimistic after last week's preliminary meeting with European Common Market officials on the possibility of formal association.

The E. E. C. negotiators will present their report to a meeting of the Council of Ministers some time next month and, if all goes well, a further meeting with the Israelis might take place in the early summer.

A communique issued in Brussels last week after the first round of talks said they were held in an atmosphere of cordiality and mutual understanding, and permitted a review of the problems as well as possible solutions.

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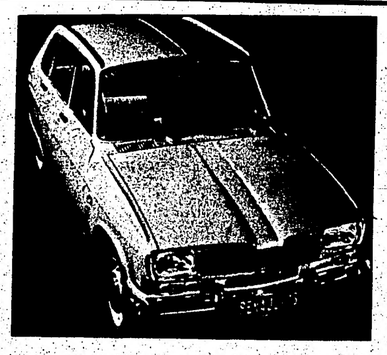

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Mobilizing The Community

SYNAGOGUES LEAD

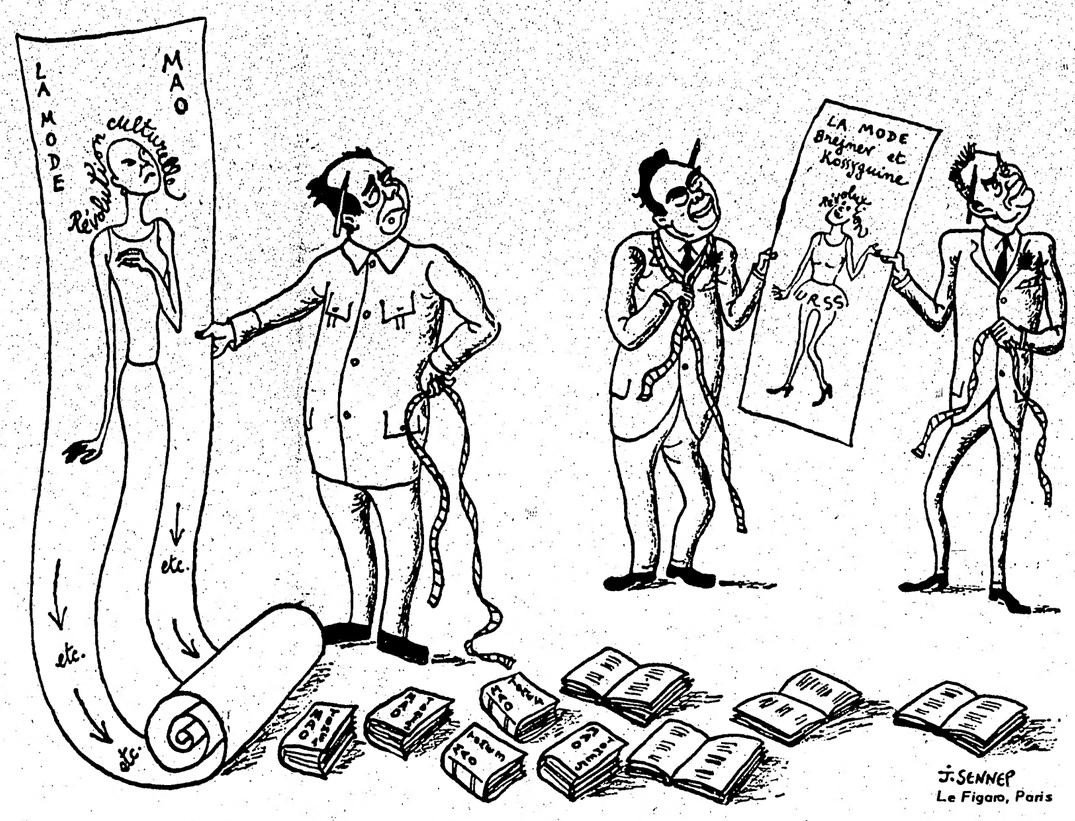
The Toronto synagogues, representing all expressions of Judaism, have formed a new organization: the Synagogue Council. This Council, though organized specifically both for the purpose of mobilizing the community for a more active participation in the United Jewish Appeal and for the support of causes common to all Jews regardless of religious affiliation eventually may become the unifying force of the community.

There is something contagious in divisive tactics; but unifying efforts also are infectious. We do not propose that such unity among synagogues would erase the differences in religious practise; they should not. Each and everyone of us should continue to serve the Lord according to his conscience and deep-rooted convictions. Yet above all these distinctions, important and legitimate as they are for they are based upon faith, is the service to mankind and to one's own people.

This army of service to fellowman in our generation is represented by the United Jewish Appeal.

We neither intend to minimize nor even cover shortcomings in some institutions or organizations in the community. Certainly there is room for equation so that our fundraising apparatus become more up-to-date. However, let no one point at a flaw in an organization as an alibi to desert this army of service to the Jewish people.

The United Jewish Appeal, through the newly formed Synagogue Council, not only will help raise the funds from the total community for a total effort in the area where our obligations to aid lie, where support is necessary; it will assist the leadership of the community in a reorientation of its basic functions and its vital tasks so that Toronto may become an example to North American Jewry.



AMONG COUTURIERS – PEKING'S DRESS IS TOO LONG; MOSCOW'S MINI-SKIRT TOO SHORT – WHICH DESIGN IS FOR US?

The Seven Days

VON THADDEN AND PARLIAMENT

The von Thadden show still is very much in the limelight. First, it was noted here that, following the neo-Nazi leader's successful publicity stunt via Canada's CBC, Adolf II now has become more important withing his own party.

According to a report from Nienburg, West Germany, von Thadden was elected chairman of the Lower Saxony State Branch of the NPD. Thus he will lead this neo-Nazi group in the state elections there scheduled for June.

Before becoming leader of the NPD, von Thadden was chairman of the Lower Saxony Pro-Nazi Deutsche Reichspartei which later merged with the NPD, becoming an amalgamation of all Hitlerite groups in West Germany.

In Canada's Parliament on Monday, the government admitted that the von Thadden spectacle cost taxpayers "at least $4,260, despite the fact that the CBC reporters did not dare ask von Thadden any "embarrassing" questions.

This information was revealed when the Leader of the Opposition, the Rt. Hon. John G. Diefenbaker, raised the issue in the House of Commons.

Many members of Parliament are far from satisfied with the reply given by Albert B. Bonaventure, Parliamentary secretary to Secretary of State Judy LaMarsh.

Among those openly expressing their disappointment is an MP of Miss LaMarsh's own party, Milton Klein of Cartier, Montreal, famous for his sponsorship of the Walker-Klein bill against the dissemination of hatred.

RAISES IN PARLIAMENT COSTS OF VON THADDEN SPECTACLE – The Right Honorable John G. Diefenbaker, Leader of the Opposition.

Speaking to a CJN reporter, Mr. Klein said the CBC-von Thadden program obviously was doctored in order that von Thadden appear in the most favorable light while demonstrating that all opponents of this spectacle were wrong.

It was obvious that his children, appearing towards the end of the interview, were a plant.

Other features apparant should convince us that those responsible for the programing were derelict in their duty.

In Berne, Switzerland, the Federal Prosecutor's Office announced a ban on two leaders of West Germany's National Democratic Party entering Switzerland. The Prosecutor's Office gave no reason for the ban on the Party's Chairman, Friedrich Thielen, and Deputy Chairman Adolf von Thadden.

In Hanover, von Thadden said he had no intention to visit Switzerland and that the move "has obviously been thought up as an affront". He said the recent withdrawal of invitations for 'm to lecture in Canada the U.S. and Britain wer the result of a "planne harassment campaign"

OUR LABOR ZIONISTS

The tenth triennial national convention of Canada's Labor Zionist Movement at Montreal's Queen Elizabeth Hotel last weekend is described as the most successful since 1948, the year of the establishment of the State of Israel. Not only was it a convention uniting Labor Zionist veterans from the Atlantic to the Pacific but it also was a rally which attracted a remarkable number among the younger element.

The Labor Zionist Movement has demonstrated its unquestionable influence within the general Zionist community.

This convention, though addressed by leading personalities local and international, essentially was one of probing into depth by the delegates of the issues confronting Canadian Jewry.

Jewish education was paramount during debates. The Labor Zionist Movement, on this issue, seems to be closer to the traditional Jewish communiy than any other organized group in Canada. It definitely is committed to the day school.

Other important problems discussed were youth activities, women's activities, the role of Labor Zionists in Canadian Jewish affairs, the battle against race hatred and, last but not least, the responsibility for supporting Israel both economically and politically.

NEW LIBEL

Moscow - Imperialis quarters have given Israel foreign policy departments the "delicate assignment" of preparing public opinion abroad for an intended attack on Syria, "Izvestia" said on Saturday.

An article quoted by Tass said Israel's armed forces were being alerted, all leave had been cancelled, and additional contingents of reservists called in. Large armed forces have been concentrated on the Northern border, he said.

Ludkovsky said frontier incidents on the Syrian-Israeli border, which began on New Year's eve, continue unabated.

"Besides economic and political blackmail, imperialist quarters are resorting to threats of direct military aggression against Syria. An active role in this military plot is assigned to Israel. Israeli diplomats are trying to distort the real facts and blame Syria for disturbances on the Israeli - Syrian frontier. But it is difficult to conceal the real estate of affairs by this verbal demagogy.

"Facts go to show that it is Israel who provokes border conflicts, increasing tension in that area to please its Western patrons", Izvestia concluded.

SYRIA WANTS ROCKETS

The Lebanon weekly "Al Sayyad" reported that Syria has asked the Soviet Union to supply it with rockets, but the Kremlin has not yet given a reply.

The Puzzle

EAST GERMANY

Ulbricht Heir Of Nazis ?

Jerusalem - Post reporter Moshe Kohn considers the political and moral record of the East German regime, which has been consistently hostile to Israel; has virtually refused to acknowledge any obligation to the Nazi victims; and has lately made another attack on the Israel Government.

by Moshe Kohn

Let us consider several statements: "It is quite normal with us that every citizen should be respected and treasured who has turned away from the S.A. Storm Troopers and the Hitler army, or has freed himself from the traditions of Prussian-German militarism, and who through honourable work has made a contribution to our development."

This statement was not made by "imperialist" Israelis or Zionists or by any of their "fascist" allies in the German Federal Republic (West Germany). It was a part of a New Year's message issued last December 31 by the President of the German Democratic Republic, Mr. Walter Ulbricht, in which for the first time that any East German leader has done so, he admitted that former Nazis hold important posts in the East German Government and in the Communist Party.

A second statement was made three weeks later, by the spokesman of the East German Foreign Ministry. He told a press conference in East Berlin that his Ministry "will not engage in any discussion with Israeli reactionary forces who agree with the Nazi West German Chancellor Kiesinger and cooperate with such fascists as (Dr. Rolf) Pauls (the Federal Republic's Ambassador to Israel) and (Dr. Alexander) Toerek (Councellor at the West Germany Embassy in Tel Aviv)."

The East German official's statement was occasioned by an editorial in The Jerusalem Post on January 17, which he said was part of the newspaper's campaign of slander against his Ministry. The editorial, entitled "Two Germanies", commented approvingly on a resolution adopted by the Zionist General Council condemning "the persistent refusal of East Germany to make restitution to the victims of Nazism or in any way to help in their rehabilitation," and East Germany's support of "the Arab policy of enimity towards Israel, aimed at the destruction of the Jewish State."

The editorial also approved of another resolution - in words which are quite in the spirit of President Ulbricht's New Year's message - in which the Zionist General Council expressed "deep anxiety" at the signs of revival of "extreme nationalism with neo-Nazi tendencies" in West Germany and called for "the encouragement of the efforts of all those engaged in the struggle to uproot this menace."

'REACTIONARY CLIQUE'

Interestingly, the East German Foreign Ministry spokesman, according to the report received in Israel from the official East German news agency ADN, did not deny or in any way take issue with any of the statements made in the editorial. He only said, in addition to what is quoted above, that the "revelations of the imperialist plot between the Kiesinger - Strauss Government and the reactionary Government clique in Israel against the Arab states has caused confusion among certain circles in Tel Aviv."

We have not had an opportunity to make a survey of circles in Tel Aviv to see whether they are confused or not, but we can say that in Jerusalem, where we are situated, there is a certain confusion: for the East German spokesman, contrary to his apparent intention, has, by the manner of his reaction, only given confirmation to what was said in the editorial. What is more, he has contradicted the warm stamp of approval which his own chief, President Ulbricht, earlier gave to those who have turned away from Hitlerism and are now doing "honourable work".

Certainly the staff members of the West German Embassy in Tel Aviv represent a Government that is engaged in the honourable work of seeking to build a sane, peaceful and free future for the nation it rules and for the rest of the world; a Government that is aware of the burden of the past that it carries and the obstacles it must surmount in building for that future.

In this connection, it might be worthwhile to recall a conversation which Dr. Pauls had in Moscow in 1955 - when he was Secretary of a mission headed by the then Chancellor Adenauer to negotiate the establishment of diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union - with Mr. Nikita Khrushchev, then Communist Party, Secretary. At a reception in the Kremlin, Mr. Khrushchev, noticing that Dr. Pauls had no left arm, said to him that although he seemed to be quite young (he was then 40), he had nevertheless apparently lost an arm in the war. "Where did you lose it?" Mr. Khrushchev asked.

"On the Russian Front," was Dr. Pauls' reply.

Mr. Khrushchev clasped the "fascist" Pauls' good right hand, shook it warmly and said: "You lost an arm here; I lost a son: let's shake hands on a promise never to go to war again."

And of course, following those negotiations in Moscow, during which the West German delegation was feted as honoured guests, the two countries established diplomatic relations, so that - if the East German official's statement is taken seriously, the Soviet Union became a partner to West Germany's "fascist - imperialist conspiracy" which Israel has since joined. And the German Federal Republic and the Soviet Union have since been co-operating in an expanding program of cultural relations, among other things. To such an extent has this conspiracy succeeded that even Hungary, Rumania, Bulgaria and Czechoslovakia seem to be on the verge of joining it.

In March, 1965, President Ulbricht, shortly after returning home from his visit to Cairo, made another statement in a television interview. He said: "The German Democratic Republic has always clearly evaluated the role of the imperialist military base of Israel. We have never confused the problem of the State of Israel with the problem of repentance and restitution for the injustice and suffering caused to Jewish citizens in Germany and other countries by Hitler's criminal regime."

The fact of the matter, however - as stated in the Post editorial and as tacitly admitted by the spokesman of the East German Foreign Ministry - is that the German Democratic Republic does appear to have confused the two problems. Neither the State of Israel nor the Jewish people outside Israel has ever asked East Germany to approve (or disapprove) of the Israeli political, economic or social system; and we are not considering, as a State or as a people, offering an evaluation of the regime and system prevailing in the Democratic Republic. What we have asked of those living in and governing the territory that comprised the German State before 1945 is that they acknowledge, along with the rest of the enlightened world, that the German State of 1933-45, - without any East-West distinction - committed terrible crimes against the Jewish people (and not only the Jewish people, of course), and that the successors of that state - without any East-West distinction - have a "special responsibility" (in the words of all responsible West German leaders since Chancellor Adenauer) to the Jewish people and to the State of Israel - the country which has provided a home for most of those of Europe's Jews whom the Third Reich did not manage to exterminate.

This is a moral and material obligation which West Germany has acknowledged and assumed. The Federal Republic has accepted the concept that the German nation is responsible for the crimes committed under the Third Reich. West Germany further recognizes that it has a special obligation to the Jewish people and the State of Israel, and Dr. Pauls and his staff are in Israel as part of the effort to discharge that obligation and to build together a future in which there will be no Hitlerian recurrences.

Unlike East Germany, West Germany came to an agreement with the State of Israel and with representatives of the Jewish people outside Israel to make restitution for what the Third Reich stole from Jews; to assist in the rehabilitation of survivors, no matter where they live today, whom the Third Reich, in one way or another, deprived of their sources of livelihood or of their capacity to fully rebuild their lives; and to help in the upbuilding of Israel which has given most of the survivors a home. In fact, although it was decided that two-thirds of the debt would fall on what is today West Germany and one-third on East Germany, the former has assumed responsibility for the total debt.

East Germany, on the other hand, has - with one exception that seems almost a mockery of the entire conception accepted by West Germany and the rest of the enlightened world - refused to acknowledge responsibility or to negotiate either a collective reparations agreement with either Israel or the Jewish people or a personal restitution agreement. The Democratic Republic has not, in fact, dealt in anything approaching a satisfactory manner with "the problem of repentance and restitution" mentioned by President Ulbricht.

The exception mentioned by the East Germans in rebuttal is the pension they pay to the 1,200 to 1,300 Jews living in the Democratic Republic, within the following framework: they pay 800 East German marks a month to former "fighters against fascism"; 600 marks to widows of "fighters" who cannot work; 400 to widows of "persecutees" who cannot work; and so on down. The designation "Jews", who were singled out by the Third Reich for systematic destruction or the term "persecuted on account of race", is never mentioned. Now even assuming that these pensions are adequate for the individuals concerned, do the East German authorities imagine a great return of Jews to their former homes in what is today the German Democratic Republic for pension purposes? In the event, a Jewish widow, for example, who formerly lived in Dresden and is today an Israeli receives whatever restitution she does thanks to West Germany's acceptance of responsibility for her plight.

Furthermore, East Germany has from the beginning, in the spirit of Mr. Ulbricht's statements during and following his Cairo visit and of the Foreign Ministry spokesman's statement, taken a hostile position to Jewish aspirations for a free, sovereign, healthy life in Israel. The Pankow regime has consistently given help and support to those whose declared intention is to destroy Israel. The Pankow regime is alone among the successors of the Third Reich to put itself in the position of saying (to paraphrase the Prophet Elijah's words to King Ahab): We have murdered and we shall inherit, the victim's goods. The Pankow regime

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Letters To The Editor
DISAGREES WITH US ON VIETNAM

Dear Editor:

The Commentary, Vietnam--North and South (The Canadian Jewish News, Jan. 6th), states: "We know that the present war in South Vietnam began when Hanoi in the north launched a military expedition into the south under the guise of a people's revolt."

It was in response to this "military expedition" the United States began a drastic increase in its military personnel in South Vietnam (now exceeding 400,000 men).

Facts apparently point to the people of South Vietnam opposing the Saigon regime.

In a speech at Yeshiva University last June, Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield said that in early 1965 approximately 400 North Vietnamese soldiers composed the enemy forces of the south which totalled 140,000 at the time, figures confirmed by the U.S. Defense Department.

The past ten years in South Vietnam seem to give valid reasons for the strong opposition to the Saigon regimes and their U.S. supporters. Dictatorship and feudalism are all the Saigon regimes have offered the people, not the democracy and freedom we are told the U.S. is fighting for. The regime of Ngo Dinh Diem and his family was the epitome of tyranny and corruption. Little improvement followed. In fact, present leader Gen. Ky admitted his political idol is Adolf Hitler.

In defense of such governments American men are dying and Canadian arms are being sold.

U. of T. J.A. Friedman
Toronto

Sermon of the week

WORK WITH A MEANING

Beginning with tomorrow's Torah reading, almost all the remaining chapters of Exodus deal with the Tabernacle. We are given a very clear account of every aspect of the Sanctuary and its furniture, their design and materials. But equally important is the vivid picture of the extraordinary enthusiasm, generosity and industry of the people.

The gold, silver, brass, costly skins and fabrics were all willingly given. In fact they brought so much that subsequently Moses had to announce that he could accept no more offerings. This is the first record of a communal appeal: and it was quickly oversubscribed.

In addition, the people gave willingly of their time and their skills. There were those who worked in wood, some with metals and others with skins. Everyone who could, took part in the giving and in the making. It was a period of intense and joyous activity and the entire camp of Israel was filled with the spirit of unity and with the sound of meaningful activity.

This biblical picture offers us at least two useful lessons. The first touches on the character of the work we do, the second on the situation in the community. First, we can ponder on the enthusiasm or lack of it which we bring to our own daily work and the spirit which informs it.

It is told of Christopher Wren, that one day as he walked about, unrecognised, among the builders of St. Paul's Cathedral, he asked several men what they were doing. One man said that he was carrying a load of bricks from one place to another. A second replied that he was earning five shillings a week.

But a third man declared that he was building a cathedral to the glory of God. The spirit which motivates our work makes it either a meaningless or tiresome burden or an exciting activity bringing with it the satisfaction of being purposeful.

Then again, the biblical record provides us with an illustration of a happy and busy community, united in a necessary task. All too often communities give us a picture of business, but activity in the wrong direction. An army in retreat is also busy, but it is going the wrong way. It is necessary for us to take a new hard look at some of the industry and fervour which is generated in a community from time to time. Not all of it is necessary. Some of it may be a sad waste of manpower, time, effort and money.

Much of the social programming listed has little or no relevance to Jewish life and the community would be healthier without it. We have to exercise enough courage to evaluate the purpose of our communal schemes, to eradicate waste and concentrate on the things that really matter for our day.

TORONTO
SYNAGOGUES AND SOCIETIES

RELIGIOUS ZIONISTS

This Saturday evening, February 11th, 8:30 p.m., Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi will hold a special festive melara malka dedicated to the anniversary of the famous historian and ideologist of religious Zionism, Jaretz. Rabbi M.J. Burak, spiritual leader of Beth Jacob Synagogue, will be the guest speaker.

All members and friends are expected to attend.

BAR MITZVA

Clanton Park Synagogue of Downsview will be celebrating its Bar Mitzva anniversary during the weekend of Feb. 24-26th, in conjunction with their annual dedication weekend. Rabbi Dr. David S. Shapiro of Milwaukee, Wisconsin will be guest speaker.

Dr. Norman Shaul is chairman of the Friday evening Oneg Shabbat; Ben Hahn will be chairman of the Sunday banquet. Aaron Weinstock, cultural chairman, and Rabbi N.L. Rabinovitch have arranged the cultural program for the weekend which will be climaxed on Sunday evening at the Bar Mitzvah banquet when Rabbi Shapiro will speak on: Concept of Wisdom in Jewish Tradition.

NEW EXECUTIVE

The following members of the Zionist Revisionist Organization, Toronto branch, were elected to the new executive at a recently held meeting at the Betar club: Lou Moses, president; Harry Mann, vice-president; Morris Mlotek, vice-president; Louis Shainhouse, secretary; Ralph Fromer, treasurer. Executive: A. Aizenstadt; J. Krakauer; H. Rubinstein; M. Silver; Z. Aroni; M. Langer; T. Schwartz; E. Silverberg; D. Garshowitz; G. Rosenwald; L. Silver; M. Wilensky.

Term is for two years. Outgoing president S. Shainhouse reported of the branch's past activities. N. Silver, national chairman, reported on the Canadian conference of the Zionist Revisionist Organization. S. Perla, national director, reported on the unity of the Herut movement in Israel. H. Frimerman, chairman of the nominations committee, presented the slate of officers.

BREAKFAST MEET

The Machzikai B'nai Israel Congregation held its annual cultural breakfast meeting to celebrate Jewish Music Month. The breakfast was sponsored by trustee, Alex Mest. Cantor Bela Hershkovitz rendered liturgical selections as well as a number of Israeli and Jewish folk songs, accompanied at the piano by Sarah Barkin Sandler. Guest speaker was John J. Glass who spoke on: A Century of Jewish Life in Canada. Cantor Sol Carr, formerly of the Bais Yehuda Synagogue, led in the blessing of the meal. Other participants were guest chairman Louis Soupcoff, Meyer Feldman, Chairman of the Board, and Julius Marcus, Chairman of the Cultural Committee. The head table consisted of Rabbi S. Langer of the Kiev Synagogue, Paul Godfrey, Councillor of North York, Harry Pearlstein, president, and Dave Hernick, treasurer.

READING

Adath Israel Study Group read Rabbi Mordecai M. Kaplan's Judaism As a Modern Religious Civilization, at their meeting last night. Discussion followed.

OPEN HOUSE

Congregational School of Adath Israel will hold open house this Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

GUEST CANTOR

This weekend Cantor Nathaniel Schub of New York will be guest at Adath Israel.

YOUTH WEEKEND

Recently three representatives of Club Ruach, senior USY chapter of Adath Israel, spent a weekend in St. Louis, Mo., with forty other Canadian representatives of Eastern USY region and 1500 delegates from various American chapters. Theme of the convention was: Conservative Judaism--in Time and Space.

Delegates were Gary Lax, Marty Nixon and Chuck Rich.

At the convention it was announced that Mark Elliot Shapiro, member of Club Ruach, won first prize in the National Creative Arts Contest, Hebrew poetry division, USY.

At Atid's seventh annual convention in Chicago, the following from Adath Israel attended: Rhonda Anger; Sheila Bellack; Mike Scher; Mark Libman; Steve Speisman; Dodi Seffer; Danny Schild; Steve Weintraub.

Five members of the Congregational High School were delegates at a Regional L.T.F. (leadership training) Kallah in Montreal recently: Elaine Charney; Linda Feldman; Lisa Goldstein; Fern Greenspoon; Randy Nisker.

JOINT MEETING

Recently members of B'nai Israel Beth David Atid (young adults) met with those from Beth Sholom. Rabbi Albert Pappenheim, spiritual leader of BIBD. discussed the von Thadden Affair.

GUEST SPEAKER

Dr. M.Q. Baig, Professor of Islamic Studies, University of Toronto, will be guest speaker at a meeting on Thursday, February 16th, of B'nai Israel Beth David Adult Education Committee. He will present the Moslem point of view in a series entitled: The World of Religion--Towards a New Understanding. Mrs. Murray Vernon, adult education chairman, will welcome the guests. Rabbi Pappenheim will introduce the speaker.

ON VISIT

Rabbi Felder of Shomrai Shaboth Synagogue recently visited the Jewish communities of Calgary and Alberta where he discussed the various religious problems confronting the communities.

The Rabbi's six books of the Mishna now is available.

CHAIRMAN

E.D. Winer of Shomrai Shaboth Congregation is UJA chairman for the synagogue.

BREAKFAST

The Breakfast Club meeting of Holy Blossom took place last Sunday. Prof. Leslie A. Fielder spoke on: The Psychology of the Jew and the Psychology of the Negro.

PERFORMED

Members of Holy Blossom Youth recently performed at the Jewish Home for the Aged. They are: Roselyn Fedder; Ricky Sniderman; Debra Shapiro; Debbie Stalman; Wynne Krangle; Simone Leibovitch; Wendy Weinberg; Martin Herman; Danny Merit; Sue Sher; Naomi Talesnick; Rochelle Syllit; Ellen Cole; Arlene Perly; Lloyd Cherniak.

LONDON EDITOR AT BETH TZEDEC

In a series of lectures at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, William Frankel, editor of the London Jewish Chronicle, analyzed contemporary Jewry.

As a result of the holocaust, of thirteen million Jews more than three-quarters are living today in the Western world; the impact of the open environment with substantial tolerance to Jews, great cultural opportunities, and general prosperity wrought significant changes. Anti semitism no longer a prime factor in Jewish cohesiveness, the probable new trends are best exemplified in Scandinavia where it has been absent longest; more than fifty percent of young Jews intermarry.

In English speaking countries there is a florishing of Jewish talent in many spheres but our best people are opting out because Jewish organizations show no interest in, and offer no place for the artist and academician whose contribution in terms of money is of necessity small. Fund-raisers are honored, but hardly ever the pious man or the man of ideas.

On religious issues, there has been a complete failure of Rabbinic leadership to give guidance; it is safer to be negative; vociferous, religious intolerance is eroding the concept of the children of Israel and, consequently, polarization to either fundamentalism or complete negation is ever increasing.

Zionism has not yet reformulated itself since it had fulfilled its historic mission on the establishment of the State of Israel and it no longer offers a focal point of cohesion. It is no longer possible to distinguish between Zionist and non-Zionist when political action and fundraising on behalf of Israel often is more effectively accomplished by so-called non-Zionists.

An easing of the Jewish situation in Soviet Russia is discernible and as a result of responsible action by world Jewry emigration will be allowed. But Russia is accused often for the wrong reasons. The resultant antagonism of the Soviet government does not benefit its Jewish citizens.

Quebec
BATTLE FOR EDUCATION

Montreal (CJN Reporter) - Statements made in Montreal at the January 29 Conference of the Eastern Region of Canadian Jewish Congress continue to reverberate in the Jewish and non-Jewish communities. Professor Perry Meyer, McGill Law Professor, spokesman for Jewish Congress, and the representative on the Quebec Superior Council of Education, told the delegates that it is inadvisable for Jews to perpetuate Quebec's confessional school system by maintaining Jewish schools.

Professor Meyer, who intensified the confusion at the meeting by going into the audience to physically stop a parent from speaking, said the government has made it fairly clear that it intends to establish neutral schools where religion will be given as an option.

At the rate things are going, stated Prof. Meyer, it seems apparent the Catholics will soon not have any more religious instruction in Catholic schools than the Protestants have in theirs, and the Protestants have very little. He predicted that religious teaching in the Catholic and Protestant schools would diminish so that ultimately religious teachings in both schools would be an equal minimum. Consequently, Protestant and Catholic parents will cease segregating their children and send them to one non-confessional school. However, Prof. Meyer's remarks seemed to cause shock and dismay among the majority of conference delegates. He seemed unpopular and was heckled throughout his speech. Had it not been for the intervention of some delegates, he would have caused a riot when he rushed into the audience.

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KEEP SMILING

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RABBI JORDON PEARLSON

Man In The News
Heads Toronto Synagogues

With the organization of the Synagogue Council in Toronto, the work of the U.J.A. is being brought to the attention of thousands of Jewish homes who, otherwise, would never have the opportunity of learning about the United Jewish Appeal.

Rabbi Jordan Pearlson, Chairman of the Synagogue Council, and members of his Committee, have already addressed board meetings of the major congregations in the community. The Rabbi's message about the totality of Jewish living has been well received by his hundreds of listeners. In every case the results justified the anticipation because quotas 35% above last year have been accepted by every synagogue.

The first phase of the Synagogue Campaign, now in progress, is an intensive drive amongst the board members of every congregation to make sure that synagogue leadership sets a pattern for the entire community. According to Rabbi Pearlson, Synagogue leaders have a great responsibility for the welfare of the entire community, not only regarding their own congregational needs. The synagogues must play a leading role in bringing the U.J.A. message into the homes of every Jewish family in the city.

Chairmen and committees have been appointed in every congregation. These groups will bring the story of the increasing needs of Jewish education into every home. The Committee members of all synagogues are being informed so that they could communicate to the entire membership how every U.J.A. dollar is being spent -- with emphasis on Israel and Jewish education.

An urgent appeal was issued by Rabbi Pearlson and his colleagues: the Jewish community should welcome the canvassers of the U.J.A. when they visit their homes.

Exclusive Report
DAMASCUS
What Syria Wants
by Francis Ofner

Awareness of Israel's growing striking power seems to be evident in all Arab capitals except Damascus. The outcome of the current talks between Israel and Syria over cultivation rights may indicate whether the anti-Israel hysteria of Syria's leaders has paralyzed their instinct for self-preservation.

In a broad defence context, the areas of Israel's progress have been lying in the following fields:

* In the growth of the country's physical strength;

* In Signs of growing realization among Arab leaders that without the help of some great power - an unlikely eventuality - they cannot destroy Israel:

* In strengthened awareness in the chancelleries of the world, particularly in the West, that a balance of power between Israel and the Arab countries must be maintained if war is to be avoided;

8 in Israel's success, in expanding friendly ties with African, Latin American, European and North American countries.

When five Arab states - Egypt, Jordan, Syria, Lebanon and Iraq - launched their war against Israel in 1948 there were theoretically 46 Arab enemies for each of the then 650,000 Israelis. At the time of the Sinai campaign just over a decade ago, the manpower gap narrowed to one Israeli against 25 Arabs. By now, the ratio is 1 to 20. Even more spectacular progress has been made in the fighting capacity of Israel's armed forces, in economic potential, technical skills and other fields affecting the overall defence situation.

Those who may still dream of destroying Israel should recall that Arab aggression was successfully repulsed at the time of the greatest disproportion in comparative strength 19 years ago. Few people could doubt the outcome of a renewed attack against Israel.

True, some of the austere tastes of the early years of statehood have by now given way to more sophistication, more money-mindedness and more eagerness to enjoy the creature-comforts. It is also true that recent economic retrenchment, though planned and self-imposed, has led to some degree of unemployment and protest. But morale regarding defence has continued as high as ever.

Despite these positive aspects, Israel's defence task continues to remain a difficult political-military problem. Over-all policy - to remain always strong enough to deter Arab attacks - supplies a satisfactory answer to warfare by regular armies. This doctrine, however, offers no solution to murderous hit-and-run raids by armed guerillas.

The suggestion -by Washington - of preventing such infiltration by introducing up-to-date electronic equipment seems to have been carefully examined. The conclusion: it is technically impossible to control every inch of our nearly 1,000 kms. of border with the four neighbouring Arab states. No country has succeeded in this respect so far - not even the mighty U.S. in Vietnam. Mere protective measures of static defence cannot stop border sabotage. Dynamic active defence is also needed if guerrillas are to be kept out.

This does not mean that static defence is to be wholly rejected. On the contrary, a number of protective measures have been recently stepped up in particularly sensitive border areas. The number of "ambushes" and mobile patrols have been increased; barbed wire around some outlying villages erected; searchlights installed and so on.

But all these measures will not be able to stop guerrilla attacks inside Israel as long as Arab rulers do nothing to prevent their movements. Consequently, this must be achieved somehow - by diplomatic means if possible, if not, then by other means.

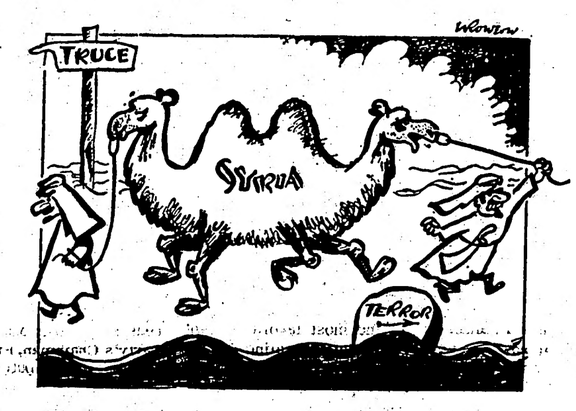
This brings us to the problem of "relations" with Syria. After a period of murderous anti-Israel attacks, organized or assisted by Damascus, and following a lack of direct contact for more than seven years, a first meeting between official representatives of our Government and Syrian delegates took place at Bnot Ya'acov on Wednesday. The talks are restricted to technical arrangements about the somewhat peripheral problem of land cultivation in the demilitarized zone.

However, regardless of these talks, policy vis-a-vis Syria must be geared to a single goal: to bring the thinking of Damascus about Israel closer to that of post-Sinai Egypt, or to take a more recent example, nearer to the attitude of post-Samau Jordan. In other words, we must strive to achieve a situation in which Syrian leaders will realize that active anti-Israel aggression is likely to boomerang and injure them more than us. The awareness of such a risk has helped to bring about a sense of realism in Cairo and Tunisia, and in Amman and Beirut as well.

Although the Syrians did suffer some losses in armed encounters with our forces (they lost four tanks and three MIG jets in recent incidents), it may well be that the blows so far were not sufficient to persuade Damascus to join the rest of our neighbours in their policy of avoiding a confrontation with Israel.

The outcome of the Bnot Ya'acov meeting may indicate whether the poisonous anti-Israel hatred of the Damascus leaders has paralyzed their instinct of self-preservation or whether de-facto co-existence is spreading, however reluctantly, to our northeastern border, too.

Israel's next step will depend on the answer to this question.



The Camel with two heads - which one will prevail?

WRONKOW, AUFBAU

Arabs and Germany
• NEW DIPLOMACY •

Cologne (JCNS) Hamzi Azzam, the head of the Arab League office in Bonn, is confident that diplomatic relations between West Germany and the Arab States will be resumed soon.

In an interview on the German broadcasting station Deutschlandfunk on Sunday, he said it was possible that the issue would be discussed by the Arab League Council meeting in Cairo in March.

Fears expressed that some members of the league might not approve were not substantiated, Azzam said. If the Bonn Government submitted concrete suggestions he was optimistic that all problems would soon be resolved.

The latest statements by the West German Chancellor, Dr. Kurt-Georg Kiesinger, and Foreign Minister, Herr Willy Brandt, on the chances for a normalisation of German-Arab relationship had met with positive reaction in all Arab States, Azzam said. He then pointed out that no date had yet been fixed for the scheduled meeting between Mr. Abdel Khalek Hassouna, the secretary-general of the league, and Herr Brandt.

Following article in the pro-government Stuttgarter Zeitung expresses the Bonn view on reestablishment of relations with Arabs:

"Against the background of the new Federal government's dramatic efforts to establish diplomatic relations with eastern Europe the announcement of the forthcoming visit to Bonn by the secretary-general of the Arab League is a sign of changes for the better in the troubled sphere of Federal Republic-Arab relations.

The breaking-off of diplomatic relations between the Arab countries and the Federal Republic in 1965 has been to the disadvantage of both sides, although economic and cultural relations have, on the whole, continued as before.

GOING TOO FAR

All attempts to persuade some at least of the nine Arab League states that jointly broke off relations with the Federal Republic to leave the fold have come to nought, not least because the countries in question, such as Saudi Arabia and Jordan, were already the focal point of pan-Arab criticism.

A crucial factor in the process of rapprochement is Bonn's relationship with Israel. Without a doubt it was going too far to expect the Federal Republic not to have diplomatic relations with Israel when most other countries do. Today, however, Arab sensitivity objects almost only to a special relationship between Israel and the Federal Republic, which is viewed by the Arabs as preferential treatment of Israel.

For this reason the Arab League demands proof of normalised relations in the form of increased support for the Arab refugees from Palestine. There can be no objection to such assistance in principle. It might well contribute toward a relaxation of tension in the Near East. There will, however, need to be a careful policy of balancing Arab and Israeli sensitivities while taking into account the special obligations arising from Germany's past.

The other bone of contention is the Soviet Zone, which has gained much ground in the Near East of late. Even if the Arabs have so far baulked at exchanging ambassadors with the Soviet Zone, they will hardly be prepared to surrender all this ground to the Federal Republic once more, and the establishment of diplomatic relations between Bonn and the eastern bloc will only strengthen their position.

In future Federal Republic -Arab talks, Bonn's designs in eastern Europe will need to be explained and the limits of what will be tolerated in respect of the Soviet Zone clearly delineated. Otherwise there might be unpleasant surprises."

REFUSES TO BECOME SOVIET PROVOCATEUR

Tel Aviv (JCNS) An Israeli citizen, arrested by the Soviet secret police in Leningrad last summer and charged with spying for Israel, said here that inducements were offered to him to become a Russian secret agent.

He was released after a few days in detention.

Yona Shubov, who has returned after visiting his brother and sister who live in Russia, said that the Soviet secret service had suggested obtaining a post for an Israeli public works company in Africa and serving as a Russian agent there. Although he refused he was allowed to return home.

Israeli sources intimate that Shubov's story and the repeated anti-Jewish accusations in the Soviet press, reflected the Stalinist and anti-Israel tendencies of the Russian special services. At the same time, Mr. Kosygin's Paris statement indicated certain official goodwill towards the Jews, which these services were opposing and trying to sabotage.

During his visit to Paris in December, Mr. Kosygin said there were no problems in respect of Soviet Jews who wished to reunite with families abroad.

For Rabbis
FIVE-YEAR PROBATION

Jerusalem (JCNS) The Israeli Chief Rabbinate for the first time has been provided with the means to end the careers of rabbis it considers unsuitable to continue in office.

Under an amendment to the regulations of the Ministry of Religious Affairs for the election of town rabbis, certification by the Chief Rabbinate of a candidate's fitness for office must be obtained every five years.

Although a town rabbi, once appointed, cannot be removed, the amendment may be used to prevent him from taking a post in another town.

It would seem to be a first step towards greater control by the central rabbinical authorities, and the public, over rabbis.

Another amendment, published at the same time, provides for certification by the Chief Rabbinate Council after an examination.

This examination, in Talmud and Codes, is to be conducted by a board of four or more rabbis, composed equally of Askenazim and Sephardim.

Hitherto, the examining board has been entitled to award certificates, but the Chief Rabbinate Council feels that there might be cases where the board could be subject to outside pressures.

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TRANSPORT TREE TO ISRAEL – At a press conference held at the Montefiore Club in Montreal recently, a sapling provided by the City of Montreal was accepted by Miss Rae Karl on behalf of KLM who transported the sapling to Israel to be planted in the Canadian Centennial Forest. In the photograph from left to right: Wilfrid Meloche, Assistant Superintendent of the Botanical Garden in Montreal; Miss Rae Karl, KLM stewardess; Bernard M. Bloomfield, JNF National Chairman, Canadian Centennial Forest.

Montreal

LABOR ZIONISTS CONVENTION VOTES ANTI-CBC RESOLUTION

Montreal (CJN Report) - The National Labor Zionist convention held here last week adopted the following resolution presented by: Alderman Ben Nobleman of Toronto.

"Whereas this Convention deplores the sensationalism of the CBC Program "Sunday", and in general the bad taste and ineptness in the presentations of certain public affairs programs;

"Whereas this Convention further deplores the damage which the recent von Thadden interview and similar incidents have caused to the image of the CBC, whose function it has been to serve as an important public instrument of communication, culture and entertainment;

"Be it resolved that we the delegates to this Convention assembled from all parts of Canada call upon the Board of Broadcast Governors and the president of the CBC to reappraise the policies of the national Radio and TV network in the light of whether or not they are performing the public service which was originally intended."

MONTREAL SOCIAL NOTES

GENERAL MEET

A general meeting of Sisterhood Chevra Kadisha-B'nai Jacob was held this week in the community hall.

Dora Wasserman, folk singer, guitarist and monologist, performed. Mrs. Chaim Lewin was program chairman.

MUSIC MONTH CELEBRATION

At a music month celebration last week, Miriam Ben-Ezra Denberg entertained the Beth Zion Sisterhood. Cantor Tibor Holczer of the Beth Zion Congregation rendered liturgical selections.

CONVENTION

This weekend the Eastern Canada Region of the National Conference of Synagogue Youth will hold its third annual convention at Chomeday's Young Israel.

Theme of the convention will be: Revelation--What Happened in Sinai? Teenagers of the twelve NCSY chapters in Metropolitan Montreal will attend as well as those from out-of-town.

Dr. Samson R. Weiss, executive vice president of U.O.J.C.A., will deliver the keynote address at the closing banquet, Sunday night.

A panel discussing the theme, Expectations, will be heard, conducted by teenagers at the Friday night Oneg Shabbat. Dan Ziff, humorist, will entertain on Saturday evening.

A full review of the NCSY activities of the past year will be presented, including reports on the two semi-annual Torah Leadership Seminars, the Soviet Jewry Day in depth session, as well as various Torah Study programs. Chapter activities will be stressed.

Michael Krupp of the Congregation Chevra T'hillim Chapter is chairman of the convention. Other officers of Eastern Canada Region are: Anne Weinrauch, president; Jack Honig, vice president for Organization; Deena Zunnenshine, vice president for programming; Rena Nirenberg, recording secretary; Susan Landesman, corresponding secretary; Beryl Nadler, treasurer; Sam Tirer, financial secretary.

HUMAN RELATIONS

Separate Vacations

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QUESTION: My problem is my husband. We always have taken our two-week vacation together. My mother comes during that period to stay with our three children. We have always gone where he wants to go and done what he likes.

This year, however, my husband has been invited to go on an inexpensive fishing trip with three men with whom he went to school. He prefers to go with them.

Where can I go alone? What should I say? I am terribly hurt.

ANSWER: No doubt you are terribly hurt. Perhaps your submissiveness to your husband's wishes has been misinterpreted by him. He may feel that you do not care enough either about him or his activities to disagree or to show your hurt or displeasure.

Sometimes true love is misinterpreted to mean having every wish and demand met, no matter what the sacrifice or the self-denial on the part of the mate may be. When one of the pair behaves in a perpetually demanding fashion and the other one constantly gives in, the relationship is more like that of a submissive parent to a demanding child, or like that of an authoritarian parent to a cowed child.

There are men who, even when they have become husbands and fathers, still have the need to go off with "the boys" at regular intervals.

It may be for a night of card playing or a vacation of fishing. These men can be loyal husbands and devoted fathers and see nothing wrong in it. Like the growing adolescent who needs to go away before he can return, the husband must go away for an evening on his own before he can return and take and fully appreciate what is his to enjoy.

Some couples, though otherwise happy and adjusted, do not always share the same interests or find equal pleasure in an activity that has some special significance for one of the pair. To get the approval they seem to need, they take off with kindred spirits who share their interest.

Sometimes the mate is invited to go along, but refuses the invitation because it is properly seen as just a gesture or formality that is not expected to be taken seriously.

Although on the surface you went along unprotestingly with what your husband wanted to do, he may have felt your silent protest.

It may also be that he felt you were giving in to his every wish and suppressing your own not out of loving consideration, but out of fear of his wrath if his every whim were not satisfied.

To be invited by other men to join them on a fishing junket may make your husband feel like more of a male. Such an experience can often be quite helpful to relax a husband and help him to operate more effectively as a mate.

However, since you have always spent your vacations together, how and what you are going to do on your own should be of concern to your husband. That he would like to join his friends on this trip is not a rejection of you. But he should consider your wishes and plan some kind of holiday time for you to spend together.

When you express your disappointment and hurt and your feeling of anticipated loneliness without him, your husband might defer to your wishes. On the other hand, once you have talked it out fully you might change your mind and really want him to go on this fishing jaunt. You might then easily find some friend or relative to go away with for your vacation.

Your problem is your inability to speak up for yourself without feeling bad for disagreeing or fearful that you will be punished for expressing your wishes. You are now a grown-up, a wife and mother.

Maybe the time has come for the whole family to spend vacations together. Your husband may be leaving you behind as both of you left your children when you went on vacation. He may feel he is merely following an established pattern.

OTTAWA BREVITIES

CENTENNIAL PROJECT

B'nai B'rith, Parliament Lodge, is investigating a centennial project regarding the transport of children to Expo '67.

Commissioner George B. McClellan of the RCM Police spoke to members of the Lodge on the behind-the-scenes operation of the force, at a dinner meeting last month.

A recent meeting of the BB Lodge discussed the business agenda, afterwards there was card playing. Twenty members attended.

EXHIBIT

Dr. Nathan Schecter opened an exhibition of oils, pen and ink, and water-colors at the Community Center. Features were works of Lily Feig, Sonia Pearl and Bill Skuce.

ADDRESS

Yaakov Morris recently addressed members of the Adult Institute on the topic: Is Judaism Viable?

TEACHER

At the Community Center, Morris Brown is teacher of the beginners' class. A replacement for Shalom Kalfon of the intermediate class has not as yet been found.

RECIPES OF THE WEEK

TRADITIONAL EGGNOG

1 doz. eggs, separated
3/4 cup sugar
1 cup bourbon
1/2 cup cognac
2 quarts milk
1 quart heavy cream, several days old
Freshly ground nutmeg

Several hours or the night before, beat the egg yolks together with the sugar until thick and lemon colored. Add bourbon and cognac gradually, beating well. Stir in the egg whites until stiff but not dry. Fold into milk mixture.

Beat the cream until stiff and place in the bottom of a punchbowl. Pour eggnog mixture over cream and sprinkle with nutmeg. Serve with a ladle so that each cup is topped with a layer of whipped cream and nutmeg.

Yield: About four quarts.

GRAPEFRUIT DELIGHT

1 envelope unflavored kosher gelatin
1/4 cup water
1 cup fresh grapefruit juice
6 tbsp. sugar
1 cup fresh grapefruit sections
2 egg whites
1/2 tsp. vanilla
Grapefruit sections for garnish

Soften gelatin in water. Place over hot water until melted.

Combine grapefruit juice and four tablespoons sugar and stir until the sugar is dissolved. Add gelatin mixture.

Chill until the mixture starts to thicken. Stir in the grapefruit sections. Beat egg whites until they stand in stiff peaks. Beat in remaining sugar, add vanilla and fold into gelatin mixture. Pour into an oiled one-quart mold and chill until firm.

Unmold onto a serving plate and decorate with grapefruit sections. This dessert is particularly colorful when made with pink grapefruit.

Yield: six servings.

SUING GERMAN CONCERNS

Frankfort, (JCNS) - The "Comite International des Camps", an international association of Nazi victims, is to sue a number of German and Austrian firms for compensation to former Jewish and non-Jewish slave workers.

Hermann Langbein, the committee's secretary-general, said that to begin with only one firm would be sued as a test case, but it had not yet been decided which one.

The 20 German firms and 20 to 30 Austrian firms against which claims are being directed, include those of Messerschmitt, Heinkel, Siemens, Krupp, Daw, IG Farben, Hanomag, Steyr, Saurer and Negrelli, Mr. Langbein said.

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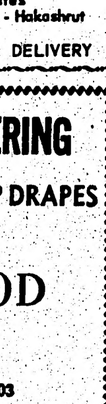
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MEETING

A meeting of the Hebrew Weston Sanitarium Service Club was held recently at the home of Mrs. Samuel Wineck. Mrs. Sydney Winkler presided. Mrs. Sol Greenberg read the minutes.

Plans to observe Jewish Music Month with a musicale were formulated. This will take place at the home of Mrs. Benjamin Freeman. Mrs. Murray Silver will sing, accompanied by Mrs. Benjamin Walker.

EXECUTIVE MEET

An executive meeting of the Hebrew Weston Sanitarium Service Club was held on January 24th at the home of Mrs. Carl Stork, chaired by Mrs. Sidney Freeman.

Arrangements were made to visit Fudger House. Plans were made for the tea in the fall.

GENERAL MEET

Women's League of Beth Jacob Girls High School held a general meeting in the new school building recently. Mrs. M. Nussbaum, president, opened the meeting; Mrs. M. Burak gave the D'var Torah; Mrs. B. Fuerst, secretary, read the minutes.

Mrs. Nussbaum praised the tea conveners: Mesdames Buksbaum, Kuhnreich, Nussbaum, Schmertz. Mrs. Schmertz, tea convener, reported on the project, with special mention of each committee: Mesdames Kuhnreich and Nussbaum, patroness; Mrs. Korman, social; Mrs. Penner, mailing; president Mrs. Nussbaum for cooperation and help in purchasing dishes and tablecloths; Mesdames Katzburg and Schonfeld, baking; those who helped generally; Mrs. Gluckowsky for entertainment.

Mrs. Miriam Nussbaum reported on an auction for next month. Mrs. Rose Weinberg, in charge of library project, reported upon cards for all occasions which will be available. Library project volunteers are Mesdames Birnbaum, Stefansky and Rosenbloom.

Class for Seminar of The Jew and His Home is being held Tuesday mornings, 10:45 - 11:45; Mrs. J. Weinberg is convener.

Mrs. Turin introduced Mrs. Corinne Kaufman and her dance group. A health club has been organized, as was announced by Mrs. Nussbaum. Mrs. M. Turin and Mrs. S. Reichman were winners of the 200-a-month club for December and January.

BALL

International Rho Pi Phi Pharmaceutical Fraternity, Ladies Auxiliary, Rokeah Chapter, is anticipating its sixteenth annual Grand Ball Weekend next Saturday and Sunday, February 18th and 19th. Cocktail party on Saturday evening; champagne brunch, Sunday morning; Sunday night, ball and banquet at Beth Tzedec.

Dean Norman F. Hughes of the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Toronto, will receive the annual donation of $500.00 towards the Blood Research Program.

Recently the Ladies Auxiliary held an auction which was chaired by Mrs. Fern Horowitz. She introduced Jeff Cohen who thanked the ladies for the completion of their pledge of $12,000 towards a new laboratory for the School of Pharmacy at Israel's Hebrew University.

One hundred twenty five dollars was raised at the auction, a hundred dollars of which was given to the New Mount Sinai Hospital, Service Fund.

HOST SISTERHOODS

Sisterhood of Clanton Park Synagogue hosted on Wednesday nine sisterhoods from Toronto and Hamilton. Program featured Ben Steinberg, in celebration of Jewish Music Month.

CHAPTER MEET

Bruria Chapter, Mizrachi Hapoel Hamizrachi, held a meeting on January 24th. Mrs. J.U. Applebaum, president, welcomed back from vacation Mesdames H. Halberstadt, I. Kelner and L. Cohen.

A certificate for a tree in Israel was presented to Mr. and Mrs. H. Applebaum upon the bar mitzva of their grandson. Mrs. M. Weiner became a Mother in Israel.

A draw for a toaster, donated by Mr. and Mrs. S. Feldman whom the president thanked, was won by Dr. J. Cooper.

Mrs. H. Applebaum was thanked for the refreshments she served.

SPRING CONFAB

The eleventh annual spring conference of the Ontario Branch, National Women's League of the United Synagogue of America, will take place Monday and Tuesday, April 3rd and 4th, at B'nai Israel Beth David Synagogue. Theme: Lift Up Thy Voice with Strength.

Plans were drawn at a committee meeting recently at Adath Israel Synagogue. Mrs. Samuel T. Warren, conference chairman, presided. Present were Mesdames Samuel Shulman (B'nai Israel Beth David), Lou Kirshenblatt (B'nai Israel Beth David), Lou Swimmer (B'nai Israel Beth David), Jack Shiner (Beth Tzedec), Louis Eisenstat (Adath Israel), Morris Palansky (Beth Am), Louis Spring (Beth Am), Harold Fishbein (Hebrew Men of England), Julius Saltzman (Hebrew Men of England), George Szigeti (Hebrew Men of England), Henry Rosenberg (Adath Israel), Louis Blatt (Beth Tikvah), Joel Goldhar (Beth Tikvah), Mark Goldenberg (Beth Torah), Lou Lefko (Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda), William Silverberg (Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda), Joseph Grossman (president, Ontario branch), Robert Kay (vice president, Ontario branch), Jack Graham (B'nai Israel Beth David), Abraham Schwartz (Beth Sholom), M. Cappe (Beth Tzedec), Joseph Bass (Adath Israel), C. Blum (Beth Torah), H. Solomon (Adath Israel).

HOLD MEET

Last Tuesday B'nai Israel Beth David Sisterhood held a general meeting chaired by Mrs. Sam Shulman, president. The following gave reports: Mrs. Leo Fenson, books and bagels; Mrs. Lou Kirshenblatt, conference; Mrs. Murray Vernon, combined campaign; Mrs. Syd Brody, mitzvah supper; Mrs. Joe Golberg, rummage; Mrs. Harold Cohen, Jewish family living. A UJA presentation was enjoyed.

SENIORS CLUB

Seniors Club of Adath Israel will be guests at Sisterhood's afternoon meeting on Tuesday, February 14th.

EXECUTIVE MEET

Shaarei Tefillah Sisterhood held an executive meeting recently at the home of Mrs. S. Plonka. Tillie Miskin presided. Evelyn Sugar reported on the leadership course which has six members from the synagogue. Tillie Miskin reported on the recently held theater night and rummage sale. Marjorie Rasky was thanked for her work on the donor dinner which 110 members attended.

A seat plaque was recommended in the name of Rose Kimel. Tillie Miskin reported on the tea; a committee was formed. Mrs. Plonka served refreshments.

SISTERHOOD MEET

Sisterhood of Shaarei Tefillah held a general meeting last Wednesday, chaired by Sue Magder. Mrs. B. Rosensweig spoke on: Ashkenazim and Sephardim.

Mrs. Magder bade farewell on behalf of Sisterhood to Mrs. Devor who is visiting Israel.

At the general meeting too Tillie Miskin reported on theater night; Marjory Rasky and Phyllis Sugar were thanked for their efforts in the donor dinner. Seat plaque donated by Sisterhood in the name of the late Rose Kimel was voted for. Evelyn Sugar requested recipes for the cook book.

Mrs. Magder welcomed Brotherhood guests. Norma Zeldin introduced J. Richard Shiff, synagogue member, who spoke on: Estate Planning. He was thanked by Evelyn Sugar. Refreshments were served.

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MY BEST FRIEND

BY RUTHIE

Everybody has a best friend. Mine isn't a who — it's a what: my little, old **bayzem** (broom). And this **bayzem** has served me in various capacities.

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My introduction to The Broom as other than that of sweeping was one of fascination. It was when Mama one time grabbed it in desperation and chased Papa around the dining table. He had left a trail of cigarette ashes on the freshly washed kitchen floor.

Not that she intended using it. But it gave Papa a scare. From then on he wound up smoking at the kitchen sink, the water tap running to wash down the ashes as he flicked them off.

Many years later he got even. Mama came home from a trip to Europe with a newly acquired habit — smoking. And though it took an expensive holiday to start her off, he didn't resent it. Because she couldn't pick on his smoking anymore; she had her own ashes to bother about.

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During my early teens The Broom never left my side. It served as a prop during calisthenics and ballet.

The girls in our circle were very talented. We all took our music seriously. I still remember one of the girls, Zelda Fibish, who studied ballet and practised teaching on us.

Sometimes you lose track. And I often wonder whether she is from the famous Fibish Dancers. Maybe I'll take the time to find out one day.

Anyway, we used our brooms as partners, as wands, for support, anything that required clutching.

My little, old broom stood next to me most of the time because I was the accompanist.

We had loads of fun up there on the third floor. Often a group of neighborhood boys congregated on the opposite side of the street; they'd look up and whistle. And just to show off, we'd raise our brooms still higher and pretend not to notice them.

Since we knew their families, we'd invite them up. Mama prepared a nosh and we wound up having a wonderful party.

Later on Zelda gloried in her element. She led the broom-dancing to the accompaniment of a germinating orchestra.

As it turned out, besides me at the piano, Kermit (I forgot his last name) was at the drums and Larry Cohen (who later became a top orchestra leader under another name) played a mean sax.

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But mostly The Broom was used as an offensive or defensive.

Like when Mama would shoo away the cats and dogs from the front lawn.

Or the times she held it over our heads when we wouldn't practise for a whole hour.

Practising was poison to us kids. But Mama and The Broom insisted:

"You'll be sorry when you grow up and remain a dope!"

As always, she was right.

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My broom has another use. Don't laugh, but I sweep the snow.

Who needs a shovel? When it's snowing, every ten minutes I go out and fluff the snow off the steps to make a path.

Actually I do it because of the arm exercise. Maybe I look like a nut from the booby-hatch but it's fun.

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That's when you really appreciate your little, old broom. Though you wind up swearing when you notice the callouses on your palms. But you can't have everything.

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A final thought amuses me.

One halloween night I'll get up enough gumption to dress like a witch and go out with The Broom. The ideas that gives me!

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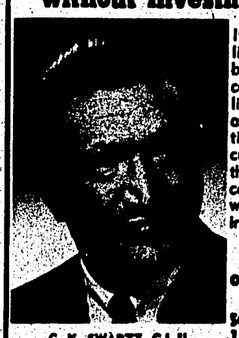

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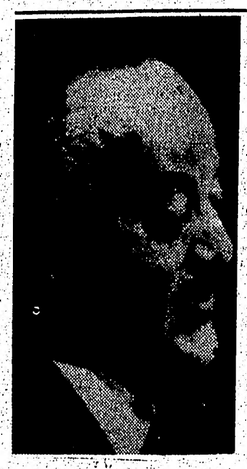

AHMAD SHUKAIRY

BATTLE ON HUSSEIN SHUKAIRY

Amman, Jordan - A Jordanian Foreign Ministry spokesman confirmed a press report that it had sent a note to the Arab League containing Jordan's decision not to recognize the aust-Israeli Palestine Liberation Organization (P.L.O.) leadership.

The note also said the Jordanian Government reserved its right to boycott any meeting attended by Ahmed Sjukeiry, head of the P.L.O., either on summit or on any other Arab League level.

The note accused Shukeiry of seeking a "settlement for the Palestine question on the basis of accepting the present position and the internationalization of Arab Jerusalem." It expressed the hope that Arab efforts would seek "to rebuild the organization on those bases and purge it of deviationists to enable it to undertake its sacred role in the liberation of Palestine."

The note said that Jordan's decision was made "after it was proved to the Jordanian Government that the organization is dominated by subversive leftist elements working against the unity of the Jordanian entity and not for liberation." Mr. Shukeiry no longer represented the Palestinian people "after he has neglected the Arab summit resolutions and sabotaged the efficacy of the P.L.O.," it said.

Planning All-Canada Confab For Education

The Agudat Israel of Canada soon may inaugurate a movement for national recognition of the Jewish day schools as an integral part of our educational system, it was hinted this week following an unusually successful Melava Malka meeting with Rabbi Moshe Sherer, executive head of the Agudat Israel of America.

Rabbi Moshe Sherer addressed a capacity crowd at Toronto's Agudat Israel Center. He was received enthusiastically for his role in leading the movement south of the border for the recognition of the Jewish day school and yeshiva education.

B. Zolty presided; Moshe Nussbaum, president, Toronto Agudat Israel, introduced the guest of honor who was welcomed on behalf of the Torah community by Harav Yaakov Weinberg, Rosh Yeshiva of Toronto's Ner Israel College.

In his moving address, Rabbi Sherer reported on the slow but definite process of acceptance of the day school as the educational instrument of the Jewish community despite assimilitionist groups in the United States. The President of the United States, he said, and other national leaders as well as leading personalities in other religious communities now know that historic Judaism is represented by those in the forefront of the preservation of Jewish tradition.

Principal back from Israel Beth Jacob High Progresses

Rabbi Akiva Stefansky, principal of Toronto's Beth Jacob High School for Girls, just has returned from a short visit to Israel. Purpose of his trip: the establishment of a closer relationship with Israel's experienced teacher-corps in the field of Jewish history, Hebrew and subjects related to Eretz Israel. Also, as a result of Rabbi Stefansky's visit there, students of Beth Jacob High School and Teachers Seminary now will be able to make use of the latest handbooks and literature in the field of religious Jewish education published in Israel.

Toronto's Beth Jacob slowly but surely is becoming one of the most important Jewish educational institutions here. Though traditional and orthodox, it simultaneously is conducted in the most modern spirit and according to most up-to-date pedagogic methods.

Seeing the bearded, patriarchal (young) rabbi, no one would believe that this Swiss born and Swiss educated instructor was known in the days preceding the establishment of the Jewish state as one of the most dedicated underground fighters for the freedom of Israel. His tie with the Holy Land is more than emotional. He studied at yeshivot in Israel and has remained loyal to the teaching of the Holy City: that Jews, while becoming a nation, must remain the Holy Nation.

Speaking upon his return to a reporter of The Canadian Jewish News, the idealistic Rabbi said about his last visit: "In Israel an increasingly number of people have become disenchanted with the concept of a secular Jewish people. Israelis feel that their very security depends upon the spiritual Torah bonds with Jews everywhere."

NEW P.R. OFFICER

Bertram A. Long has been appointed publications officer, as was announced by Dr. F.W. Minkler, Director of Education for the Borough of North York.

A native of Toronto and a well known resident of North York, Mr. Long was managing editor of Willowdale's Enterprise newspaper for twenty-one years before joining the staff of the Township of North York in 1959 as public information officer.

Mr. Long is a member of the Toronto Chapter, Canadian Public Relations Society Incorporated, and takes keen interest in anything regarding the development of North York.

JEWISH COMMUNISTS RETREAT INTO SHELL

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the "New York Times", Mr. Jack Gould. Mr. Gould, who has been in the forefront of the battle for free speech over the air, cited the Committee's editorial approvingly. It was not a question of free speech, he maintained. "Bigots", he wrote, "thrive on publicity and exposure, and thanks to some careless and casual broadcasting stations, are winning more attention than ever before".

Others have joined Mr. Gould in the criticism, and some radio and television stations have either broadcast editorial, or short versions of it, or one of their own attacking the broadcasts in question.

Newspapers throughout the country have carried the story with considerable space. One, a paper in Ohio, gave it an entire page. Readers have sent letters both to the editors of their newspapers and to the A.J.C. about the matter, with a great majority approving the Committee's position.

Mr. Susskind had insisted that "kooks and bigots" expose themselves under the television camera's eye, and that their appearance can have a salutary effect in contributing to their own undoing.

But the main question was not answered by him, why put on "kooks and bigots" at all? Also, what gains are made by American democracy through airing their views?

Constantly under attack by the Soviet Union and its followers, as well as other States which are not too proud of their human rights record, the "Non-Governmental Organisations" accredited to the United Nations Human Righs Commission continue their work undeterred.

That the most active of the N.G.O.'s are Jewish organisations is not an accident. It is what happened to the Jews in the Holocaust which set the U.N. on its path towards a human Bill of Rihts, and it was the swastika-daubing incidents of several years ago which resulted, directly, in the writing of the recently adopted Convention Against all Forms of Discrimination Against Minorities.

Thus, representatives of Jewish groups — the Coordinating Board of Jewish Organisations, the Consultative Board of Jewish Organisations, the World Jewish Congress, the Agudas Israel World Organisation and others - not only rise to speak at sessions of the Human Rights Commission and its organs, but lobby in the corridors, suggest resolutions and write reports - and even resolutions for delegates. It can be said, without detracting from the sincerity and goodwill of the official sponsors, that a considerable amount of the human rights legislation which has already had the approval of the United Nations was generated by one or more of these N.G.O.'s.

They have come under frequent attack, and efforts, so far unsuccessful, have been made to clip their wings. The latest was during the recently concluded session of the Human Rights Sub-Commission on the Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities. Before the Sub-Cimmission was a confidential report, submitted by the special rapporteur, Judge Zeev W. Zeltner, of Israel, which was based primarily, it is understood, on documents submitted by N.G.O.'s.

The report is understood to have alleged discrimination against Jews in the Soviet Union and Iraq, the closing of churches in Russia, and similar abuses elsewhere. No country, in submitting its "periodic reports" to the Human Rights Commission, could be expected to list violations of human rights within its own borders. It is therefore in this respect that outside, independent bodies come into their own - and into the fire of the countries whose lapses they record.

The decision to suppress Judge Zeltner's confidential report was taken by a vote of eight to six despite protests by an American, Mr. John Caher. Leading the forces which gained suppression of the report was the Soviet Union, whose representative called Judge Zeltner "a liar", supported by Egypt, Sudan and Kenya.

East Germany

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is thus alone in denying, on ideological grounds - different, to be sure, from the grounds on which the Third Reich based itself - and on grounds of political expediency to refuse to make suitable restitution to Jews who survived the Third Reich's death scheme (for which they had been selected without distinction of geography, ideology or class). It thus stands alone, among the successors to the Third Reich, not only in accepting no responsibility for the murder committed by its predecessors, but also in joining the chorus of those who say that the survivors, too, must be destroyed; that the children of the survivors, too, are nc entitled to live.

If we invidiously compare East German statements and acts with those of West Germany, we do not do so in order to pass judgement on the relative merits of the two systems or regimes; or to gloss over the fact that in the Federal Republic, too, there are former Nazis in high positions, or to ignore the very real threat - which nobody in the enlightened world ignores - of resurgent fascism in the Federal Republic. But if the comparison hurts the East German authorities, they would do well to search their own hearts rather than attacking a newspaper editorial.

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